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SUBJECT: RECENT ARRESTS OF BA'ATH PARTY MEMBERS

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1. RECENTLY MANAGING EDITOR OF AKHBAR HAS FLESHED OUT HIS SERIES OF SIGNED ANTI BA'ATH ARTICLES WITH LISTS OF BA'ATH ALLEGEDLY DETAINED BY SARG. ON MARCH 29, AKHBAR CLAIMED BA'ATH HAD ARRESTED 400 OF ITS OWN MEMBERS; MOST CAME FROM ARMY AND SOME ALLEGEDLY ESCAPED TO IRAQ. THREE NAMES WERE GIVEN. ON APRIL 18 EDITOR WROTE HE HAD RECEIVED LIST OF 300 NAMES, MOSTLY ARMY OFFICERS. HE PRINTED 42, OF WHICH VAST MAJORITY WERE OFFICERS AGED FROM 30-48, HOLDING RANKS FROM FIRST LIEUTENANT TO LT. COLONEL AND COMING FROM ALL PARTS OF SYRIA INCLUDING DAIR AND AL ZOR. ONE JORDANIAN, TWO PALESTINIANS AND AN IRAQI WERE INCLUDED. FINALLY ON MARCH 21, 90 NAMES WERE GIVEN INCLUDING WORKERS, TEACHERS, JUDGES, PHYSICIANS, CIVIL SERVANTS AND STUDENTS (INCLUDING CHAIRMAN, SYRIAN STUDENT

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FEDERATION). WE SEE ONLY HANDFUL OF CHRISTIAN NAMES.

AKHBAR PROMISES MORE NAMES WILL BE GIVEN SOON, ESPECIALLY
OF JOURNALISTS, TEACHERS AND WORKERS.
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